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Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated June 22, 2005 for which a three-month period for response was given making this response due on or before September 22, 2005.

In view of the amendments to the claims and the remarks put forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

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